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PALEON

TELEGRAM FROM

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Escaped Jewish Terrorists.
Refugee Address List to Subject 16. (E4424/32/31)
Confirms person named embarked SS
SHIRAZONA at Subject May 17 for Haifa.
Endorsement for travel to France and
Belgium added to his passport.

ADRESSEN NAME ABIRA 26.

Last Paper.

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deager. M.I.S.

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8) Raj. Charities,
P.O. 4, W.D
✓ June 5

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DEPARTMENTAL NO. 1.

FROM JIBUTI TO ADDIS ABABA

His Majesty's Consul. D. 8.30 a.m. 27th May 1947
No. 26 R.11.15 a.m. 27th May 1947.
26th May 1947.

Repeated to Foreign Office No. 20 (Please pass to Paris as my telegram No. 10)

B.M.A. Asmara No. 12
Jerusalem No. 4
Cairo (for S.I.M.E.) No. 1.

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SECRET.

Your telegram No. 16 regarding Docter Jacobsohn.

Confirm person named embarked S.S. Shikmena at Jibuti May 17th for Haifa.

2. Endorsement for travel to France and [grp. undec. ? Belgium] added to his passport here.
3. Have no information regarding connexions mentioned in your telegram under reference.

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FROM S. OF S., COLONIES.

No. 1131 Top Secret.

Doctor Gerrit Jacobson.

I understand that Police Officer from Asmara has gone to Addis Ababa to identify three escaped detainees there (your telegram No. 266 refers.)

Distributed to:-

Mr. Bennett
Mr. Eastwood
Mr. Blas
Mr. Fitzmaurice
Miss Boyd

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TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 4th June, 1947.

Your telegram No. 1131.

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S.S. SHAKHMONAH has not (repeat not) yet arrived

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Secretary of State
Sir T. Lloyd
Mr. I. Thomas
Mr. Martin
Sir D. Harris
Mr. Trafford Smith
Mr. Mathieson
Mr. Higham
Mr. Bennett
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Mr. Bigg
Mr. Fitzgerald
Miss Boyd
Foreign Office
M.I. 5.

1 Mr. Cable,
5 Mr. Seager.

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TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 17th June, 1947.
R. 17th " " 16.55 hrs.

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Doctor Gerret Jacobsohn.

Person named landed at Jaffa Port on 6th June. His baggage was searched and he was interrogated, but no evidence was found to confirm the suspicion that he may have been concerned in the escape of Jewish terrorists from detention in Eritrea. He is remaining in Palestine for the time being and is being kept under observation.

2. Dr. Izhak Weitzman, mentioned in your telegram No. 1061, has been traced at Haifa, nothing is yet known to his detriment, but his activities are at present the subject of enquiry.

Distributed to:-

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Secretary of State
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Mr. I. Thomas
Mr. Martin
Mr. Gutch
Mr. Trafford Smith
Foreign Office
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FROM PALESTINE (General Sir A. Cunningham)
TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 10th July, 1947.
R. 10th " " 22.55 hrs.

No.1306 Top Secret.

My telegram No.1154.

Doctor Gerrt Jacobsen.

Person named left Palestine for Belgium via Port Said on 5th July. He is expected to return here in about two weeks.

2. He has been under observation since he arrived and nothing to his detriment has come to notice.

Correction received 11th July.

Distributed to:-

MS.25
Secretary of State
Sir T. Lloyd
Mr. I. Thomas
Mr. Martin
Sir C. Jeffries
Mr. Blackburne
Mr. Trafford Smith
Foreign Office
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Mr. Mathieson
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PALESTINE

28 MAY

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FROM

Embassy
Cairo

No.

Dated

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Received
in Registry731/11/47
22 May 1947
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Escaped Jewish Terrorists.

Refer F.O. 958 (E 3994/32/31) Transmits
copy of Lt No 128 to H. Lantour of
21/5. Transmitting message.

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JC.

No. 448
(731/11/47)

His Majesty's Ambassador presents his compliments to
His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs
and has the honour to transmit herewith copies of the under-
mentioned paper.

BRITISH EMBASSY,
CAIRO.

22nd May, 1947 28 MAY

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Reference to previous communication:

F.O. telegram No. 958 O.T.P. of 16.5.47.

Description of Enclosure.

Name, Date, etc.	Subject.
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To: Khartoum.

Telegram No. 128 O.T.P.

Dated: 21.5.47.

Escaped Jewish
Terrorists from
Eritrea.

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CYPHER TELEGRAM

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(9) COPY NO:

FROM: CAIRO.

DESP : 1930 hrs. 21.5.47

TO : KHARTOUM.

NO : 128 O.T.P.

DATED : 21.5.47.

SECRET.

Following received from Foreign Office.

Begins:

In January 1947 5 Jewish terrorists escaped from 119 Special Camp, Eritrea, where they were detained. Three of these men have now been located in Addis Ababa and have applied to French Consul for transit visas through French Somaliland. Their names were /g.u. ? given/ reluctantly: Rovert Feron, Isidore Frank Furter, Cralo Recanati.

2. All these men are very dangerous and it is very important that they should not be allowed to escape. Ends.

3. Please deny visas for entry into Sudan to these men should they apply for them.

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J. H. Wright
Legation.

Quito

60.
19 May 1942.
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Zionist Activities, Quito
 Reps Quito departed 24th of April 24
 (E 4100/32/31) Now transmit translation of
 Reply from the Foreign Affairs, re
 offensive terms of announcement in the
 Quito Press by the Zionist Federation
 of Ecuador.

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5. Weiser, who was described as the representative of the Jewish agency in Colombia, Ecuador, Panama and Venezuela, replied in a speech which was not without offensive allusions to Great Britain, but which nevertheless was more measured than his newspaper articles would lead one to expect. After referring to Jewish sufferings and to the Jewish part in the war effort, he said that his friends and colleagues in Ecuador knew him too well to think that he had any hatred of the British people who, he said, could not be held responsible for their government's policy. Finally he said that the Jewish cause needed every possible vote, and particularly that of Ecuador, in the General Assembly of the United Nations, and he reminded his listeners that the treatment given to the Jewish cause would set the example for the treatment which other small nations looking for justice might in future expect.

6. After Weiser's speech a resolution was proposed, and approved, for despatch to the Minister for Foreign Affairs, urging that the Ecuadorean representative at the United Nations should be instructed to express Ecuador's sympathy with the Jewish people's struggle to recover the land of their fathers, to insist upon Great Britain fulfilling its obligations under the mandate by abolishing the restrictions on immigration into Palestine and on the transfer of land, to vote in favour of the Jewish agency being allowed to expound its case to the Assembly, and to vote in favour of the Jewish people being allowed to establish a State in Palestine. I do not know whether the Foreign Minister was moved by this resolution, but it seems from the press-reports that the Ecuadorean representative at the United Nations did act on the lines indicated in the resolution. The resolution was proposed by Dr. Pedro Leopoldo Núñez, chairman of the governing body of the British Council's Institute in Quito, who I have always thought to be as sincere a friend as Britain has in Ecuador.

7. At the end of the banquet, Señor Arturo Meneses, head of the department of Treaties and International Meetings in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, repeated the Ecuadorean Government's assurance of sympathy with the Zionist cause.

8. I am sending a copy of this despatch to His Majesty's Ambassador at Washington and, without the enclosure, to His Majesty's Representatives at Bogotá, Caracas and Panama.

I have the honour to be
With the highest respect
Sir,
Your most obedient, humble Servant,

J.H. Cochrane

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REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

DIPLOMATIC DEPARTMENT

No. 44-DDP

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has the honour to reply to a note verbale of the Legation of Great Britain of the 18th April, in which attention is called to the announcement inserted in the local press of that date by the Zionist Federation of Ecuador, purporting to express its regrets for the death of certain Jewish nationals, and in which expressions are used to describe the latter and the British Forces in Palestine, which the Legation considers, in the first case not in accordance with the truth, and in the second case, offensive.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which has a singular appreciation for the cordial relations which happily exist between Ecuador and Great Britain and which the Legation invokes in this occasion, and regrets that the terms of the announcement in question are at variance with the highly respectable and enlightened opinion of the British Legation on the facts referred to, begs to invite the latter's attention to the circumstance that the democratic regime which the Republic enjoys and the laws which guarantee it do not permit the Ecuadorean authorities to take any action which might be detrimental to the fundamental right of the free expression of ideas through the medium of the press.

Quito, 30th April, 1947

The Honourable British Legation
Quito.

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Leager. M. 15.
Rai Chapter 18, W.O.
~~May~~

3 June

8) ~~Paj. Charteris,~~
~~Mo. 4, War Office~~

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Escaped Jewish Holocaust

Refers Adm. let 18 of May 23 regarding Wans,
Adm. no trace of individual named. Asks
communicate further particulars of his
movements.

Copies to: ^(Minutes) Mr. Fitzgerald (C.O.)
Mr. Singer (M.I.S.)

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DEPARTMENTAL No. 1

FROM JIBUTI TO ADDIS ABABA

His Majesty's Consul
No. 28

D. 7.40 a.m. 29th May, 1947

29th May, 1947

R. 11.40 a.m. 29th May, 1947

Repeated to Foreign Office No. 22

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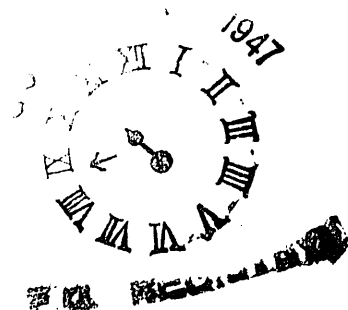
30 MAY

Your telegram No. 18 of May 23rd regarding Mann.

No trace here of the individual named. Please communicate further particulars of his movements.

2. Governor of Jibuti has received similar communication from your French colleague at Addis Ababa and summons has been issued. Search continues.

[Copy sent to Middle East Secretariat].



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New York.

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29 May 1947

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Activities of MAX SEIGMAN.

Telegram received by Sec Gen
from Max Seigman offering accusation of
Jewish terrorist activities provided Palestine
authorities would remit certain death
sentences and suspend activity of military
court.

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WORLD ORGANISATION DISTRIBUTION.

FROM NEW YORK TO FOREIGN OFFICE.

(From Permanent United Kingdom Representative to the United Nations)

No. 1492. D. 6.24 p.m. 29th May, 1947.

29th May, 1947. R. 12.24 a.m. 30th May, 1947.

Repeated to Jerusalem,
Washington - Saving

GIANT.

Palestine.

Secretariat official showed a member of my staff a few days ago a telegram to Secretary General from Mr. Max Seligmann (defending Counsel for Dov Gruner) offering cessation of Jewish terroristic activities provided Palestine authorities would remit certain death sentences "in accordance with Greek precedent" and suspend activity of Military Courts.

2. Member of my staff expressed conviction that His Majesty's Government would, if approached, refuse to appease in this manner and suggested that Secretariat need take no action on the telegram as matter was outside terms of reference of Special Committee on Palestine. I understand however that Secretary General may refer it to the Committee for information.

Foreign Office please pass to Jerusalem as my telegram 32.

[Copies sent to Telegraph Section Colonial Office for repetition to Jerusalem]

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Coastal General

Hayai.

7 May 1947

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Teach Mass Meeting at Hongkai

Transmit copy of Shanghai despatch to H.M.
Embassies Hongkong 231 enclosing text
of resolution, and at above meeting of
Jen in Shanghai

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Guman Depr.

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[Handwritten signature]
C.E. CABLE
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If, in addition to the squalid sordidness of life in modern Shanghai and the fearful cost of the most elementary daily necessities and strikes and demonstrations, etc, Foreign Service officers are also to have to cope with possible Zionist terrorism, then a Shanghai posting order to Shanghai will really be like a sentence of exile to Eli for a Ching dynasty official.

(P.D. COATES)

(P.D. COATES)
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HIS Majesty's Consul-General at Shanghai,
presents his compliments to H.M. Secretary of State,
and has the honour to transmit to him the under-mentioned
documents.

British Consulate-General E 4673
SHANGHAI.

7th May 1947

Reference to previous correspondence:

Description of Enclosure.

Name and Date.	Subject.
Copy of Shanghai despatch to H.M. Ambassador, Nanking, No. 231 (10418/Y13 & A2/47) dated 7th May, 1947.	<u>POLITICAL</u> : Mass Jewish meeting at Shanghai in protest against executions in Palestine.

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POLITICAL: Mass Jewish meeting at Shanghai in
protest against executions in Palestine.

No. 231 (10418/^{F 44}~~43~~ and A2/47)
& 3 copies.

BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL,

SHANGHAI,

7th May, 1947.

Copied to:
Foreign Office No. 246
& 2 copies.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that a large scale demonstration was held by the Jewish community in Shanghai on the 22nd April, 1947, in protest against the execution of Dov Gruner and three other members of the Irgun Zvai Leumi organisation in Palestine. A mass meeting sponsored by the various Zionist organisations in Shanghai was held at the Haim Garden in the Wayside area, the attendance being estimated at 8,000.

2. The meeting was presided over by B. Kopeliovich, and the proceedings opened with a procession of youths of the Brith Trumpeldor, carrying a Jewish flag draped in black. The subsequent speakers were S. Bergman, A. Kalamanowitz, F. Goldberg and G. Juhawitzki, all of whom delivered violent denunciations of British policy in Palestine, describing the execution of the four Irgunists as murders committed through laws contrary to the Mandate and to international law. After prayers had been offered for the dead the meeting adopted a Resolution for communication to the United Nations and to the Chinese Government. This Resolution described British actions as still denying, two years after the defeat of the Hitler régime, the right of the Jewish people to their own national home, and announced that British troops were shooting down those who had survived the "hell of Europe". It added that the executions showed "the intention of the British Government to provoke the Jewish people to a bloody struggle", but that the latter would not allow themselves to be the victims of provocation or frightened by a display of brute force. The Resolution concluded: "The path of despair will not be the path of the Jewish people. Led by its firm faith in the righteousness of its cause, its endeavours for peace, and its deep

belief /.....

His Majesty's Ambassador,
British Embassy,
NANKING.

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belief in final victory, the Jewish nation will continue along the right path to achieve all its aims." In a letter to the local press a correspondent who signed himself as "Not a Briton" said that he had seen this meeting which reminded him of nothing more than pre-war meetings in Germany with well-drilled "Hitler Youth" shouting their slogans and ranting speakers comparable to the Fuehrer himself.

3. I had received intimations that the demonstrators might proceed to this Consulate-General after the meeting in order to stage a further protest. In view of the disorderly scenes which have recently occurred in the Consulate-General Compound in connection with demonstrations by ex-Shanghai Municipal Council employees, I felt it advisable to mention this possibility to Mr. T. K. Ho, who was temporarily in charge of the Municipal Government in the absence of the Mayor, Dr. K. C. Wu, in order that in the event of trouble the Municipal authorities should not have the excuse for inaction that they had no foreknowledge of what might occur. No attempt was, however, in fact made by the Jewish demonstrators to enter the Consulate-General after their meeting.

4. In this connection I have the honour to enclose herein copy of a communication addressed to me on the 18th April by an organisation styling itself the "Association of Refugees from Germany", setting out the views of Jewish refugees from that country regarding their inability to return to their homes up to the present.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Excellency's most obedient,
humble Servant,

(Signed) A. G. N. Ogden

CONSUL-GENERAL.

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RESOLUTION.

On Thursday, April 17, 1947, at 680 Chaoufoong Road, at a mass-meeting those among the Refugees from Germany who desire their repatriation were informed through the speaker of the as yet dim situation with regard to their repatriation and were struck by the seriousness of their still undecided fate. The following resolution was at that occasion adopted by them:

Through our unprecedented suffering under the Nazi-terror, through many a terrible year that we were imprisoned in concentration-camps, as well as having been driven from our native-land, with our families being split and those horrible eight years we spent in the emigration in tropic climate, now that two years since the end of the war have passed and the permission for our repatriation is still being withheld, we are amply justified to accuse all those authorities in the world that failed to heed our desire for repatriation and rehabilitation of our human rights.

This war of nerves imposed upon us has grown unbearable for us, we can no more keep on waiting and demand a decision.

We require the competent authorities to grant the permission for the repatriation of Refugees to Germany and that UNRRA-Shanghai be informed of this permission by April 30, 1947.

In case, this appeal is to remain uncared for, our desperation would drive us to consequences of an extent, which cannot yet be foreseen. We are willing and desirous to fight with all available means for our human rights and for the reconstruction of Democratic Germany. The meeting demand the Association of Refugees from Germany to immediately forward this resolution to all competent authorities.

ASSOCIATION OF REFUGEES FROM GERMANY - SHANGHAI.

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Washington

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28 May 1947

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by PHERTON.
 State according to Police News Agency.
 Phertok spoke in Atlantic City to a
 body called the Trade Union Emergency
 Conference for Labour Palestine. He
 reported to have said that the Palestine issue
 presented a challenge to the remnants of both
 British imperialism and American isolationism.

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they neednt bother to ask us
 to repeat the White Paper!

H. J. Bent
 June 3

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WASHINGTON 8, D. C.

28th May, 1947

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Dear Department,

According to Paltor News Agency, Shertok spoke a few days ago in Atlantic City (where certain Zionist youths have recently picketed the U.K. Delegation to the Telecommunications Conference) to a body called the Trade Union Emergency Conference for Labour Palestine, which was composed of some 250 Jewish and non-Jewish delegates from C.I.O. and A.F. of L. unions in the United States and Canada.

Shertok is reported to have said that the Palestine issue represented a challenge to the remnants of both British appeasement and American isolationism. He remarked that the United Nations enquiry did not relieve the United States Government of major responsibility for a solution of the Palestine problem. The recent Soviet statement facilitated a solution, but that could not be accomplished without American participation. After urging the necessity for statehood as the only solution of the problem of Jewish displaced persons, he attacked the terrorists on the ground that they were giving the British a weapon wherewith to withstand Jewish claims.

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said that the Palestine issue was a major test for the United Nations. He also called upon Britain to redeem itself in the eyes of the world by permitting the entry of 100,000 Jews a year into Palestine without awaiting the United Nations decision.

The Conference adopted resolutions calling upon Great Britain to honour its obligations, repeal the White Paper, restore civil law and permit unlimited immigration into Palestine. It also called upon the British Labour Party to be true to its pledges to the Jews, and upon the United States Government to adhere to its traditional pro-Palestine policy in the councils of the United Nations. Another resolution contained a decision to send an American Labour delegation to Palestine, and greetings were sent to Jewish displaced persons in Europe and to inmates of the Cyprus camps.

A copy of an advertisement inserted by this body in the New York Times of the 23rd May is enclosed.

We are sending a copy of this letter to Jerusalem.

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The plan has been modified in certain important aspects since Lord Mountbatten originally framed it in India. Those modifications lean toward the desires of the Congress party, and Mr. Jinnah, who has been taking an increasingly intransigent line, is not going to like it.

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Gandhi Remains Silent

It is noted with growing optimism that Mohandas K. Gandhi has been silent during the last week. He is heart and soul for a unified India and it is within his power to wreck any plan for a division.

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Mr. O'Neill's is the first outright "lame duck" appointment that President Truman has made to any important post since the general elections of last November put the Republicans in control of Congress. There have been reports on Capitol Hill that the Senate will refuse to confirm such presidential appointments, particularly to outstanding posts in the diplomatic service.

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A number of strong anti-Soviet speeches were made. Several delegates scored Russia as a backer of the Chinese Communists.

Pan Chao-yin, a Catholic newspaper editor, demanded that China abrogate the Sino-Soviet treaty and openly espouse what he called President Truman's anti-Russian policies. Hsien Min-hsiao, a Szechuan delegate, advocated the launching of a nation-wide anti-Russian movement.

One speaker who was critical of Russia demanded to know why China had been unable to get an American loan while the United States had loaned money to "pro-Communist France."

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Dear Reports Division,

All synagogues and temples in the Detroit area will offer prayers of intercession next Friday and Saturday that the United Nations may succeed in establishing a home for the many Jews in displaced persons' camps, and sermons on the subject of Palestine and the United Nations will be preached by the rabbis.

This evening a mass memorial meeting for Dov Gruner and other Jews executed by the British will be held at the Congregation Bnai Moshe in Detroit under the sponsorship of the United Zionists-Revisionists. Gruner's sister, Mrs. Helen Friedman, is expected to attend and the principal speaker will be William B. Ziff of Washington, co-chairman of the American League for a Free Palestine.

Yours ever,

(Signed) D.F.H. Brickall

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2. According to Palcor Dr. Silver, in addressing a meeting of Zionist District Leaders in New York on May 19th, announced that Dr. Emanuel Neumann will run for the presidency of the Zionist Organization of America. Dr. Silver made an appeal for his election to this post.

3. We are sending a copy of this letter to Jerusalem.

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Mr. Ben Gurion's recent suggestion that partition might be a possible solution for the Palestine problem has evoked a statement by Dr. Silver.

2. According to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Dr. Silver made the following remarks:

"Numerous enquiries have reached me concerning press reports of a statement attributed to David Ben Gurion, chairman of the executive of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem, favoring the establishment of a Jewish state in those parts of Palestine that have been settled by Jews as well as the Negev, and continuation of the Mandate in the sections which Jews have not colonized.

"I find it difficult to credit these reports inasmuch as the executive of the Jewish Agency has never approved any such proposal, nor has the executive any authority to do so. The case of the Jewish Agency was officially presented by its representatives, including Mr. Ben Gurion, at the recent special session of the United Nations. There has been no change in policy since then. The same case, more fully documented, will undoubtedly be presented to the committee of inquiry of the United Nations unless the General Council of the movement should prescribe a different course.

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Eastern Department,
Foreign Office,
London, S.W.1.

BRITISH EMBASSY,

WASHINGTON 8, D. C.

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"Our movement has taken no position favoring either partition or bi-nationalism. If the committee of inquiry should propose these or any other solutions, our movement will have full opportunity to consider them and determine its attitude. It would be regrettable to have the situation made more difficult now by confusing versions of our position. We stand and will continue to stand upon the full Zionist program as adopted by the Zionist Congress at Basle, and as subsequently re-affirmed by the executive of the Jewish Agency at its recent plenary session in Jerusalem."

3. We are sending a copy of this letter to Jerusalem and to the U.K. Delegation at New York.

Yours ever,

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Jewish Activities. America.
States American Jewish Conference
to go into dissolution and to be succeeded
by a new organization. Drafted list of
plan approved by interim committee
of American Jewish Conference.

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Dear Department,

It appears that the American Jewish Conference is to go into dissolution and to be succeeded by a new organization. An outline of this proposed organization was given in New York on the 21st May by Louis Lipsky and Dr. Maurice Eisendrath. They told a press conference that it would include within its scope both domestic and overseas affairs. It would act as the unified voice of American Jewry vis a vis the government and international organizations and Jewish communities overseas. In the fields of defending Jewish rights in the United States and extending relief to Jews abroad it would work through the recognized Jewish agencies.

2. They stated that elections for the new body, whose creation will be decided upon at the Fourth Session of the Conference which is to be held in Chicago early in August, would be on the most democratic basis possible, with representation for national organizations and individual communities. It is proposed that the ruling body of the organization should be a national council of 750, elected as follows: 150 will be chosen by recognised national organizations on an equal basis, 100 will be elected from New York City, and the remainder will be chosen by individual communities.

3. The text of the plan approved by the interim committee of the American Jewish Conference is as follows:

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"An organization, democratic in structure and representative of the American Jewish community, shall be established to secure and protect Jewish rights and to promote the general welfare of the Jewish people, here and abroad; and to enhance the contribution of the Jewish community to American democracy.

"In the field of international affairs, the organization shall act for American Jewry in all representations before the United States Government and its departments, intergovernmental agencies and the United Nations, and in all public relations connected therewith. The organization shall endeavor to cooperate with the organized Jewish communities of other countries and with such international Jewish agencies as are or may be established.

"In all matters affecting the rights and status of the Jewish people with regard to Palestine and its upbuilding, the organization shall endeavor to cooperate with the Jewish Agency for Palestine and may request organizations and agencies engaged in activities in this field in the United States to submit reports periodically.

"In the defense of Jewish rights in the United States and in opposing all anti-democratic forces and tendencies in American life and in combatting anti-Semitism in all its forms, the organization shall act through recognized Jewish agencies, affiliated with the organization, operating in these fields, without affecting their autonomy, it being understood that such agencies shall be invited to report to the organization periodically in order that the organization may be in a position to consider their policies and work, and recommend proposals to promote their objectives.

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4. We are sending a copy of this letter to Jerusalem.

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Jewish Activities in America

Records conversation with American Ambassador in which he said he was doing everything in his power to bring pressure to bear against the subversive activities of Jews in the U.S.

(Minutes.)

From the above minutes by S.F.S. a subcommittee of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, U.S. House of Representatives, was formed to investigate the activities of Jews in the U.S.

Mr. Bevin
June 6

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Mr. Bevin to Lord Inverchapel (Washington)

(No. 1121)
My Lord,

*Foreign Office,
4th June, 1947*

Palestine

When the American Ambassador came to see me this morning, he informed me that he was doing everything in his power to bring pressure to bear against the subversive activities of the Jews in the United States. I welcomed his assurances. I also

informed Mr. Douglas that I had recently seen a group of moderate Jews, who expressed to me their fear that the representatives of moderate Jewry would not be allowed to express their opinions before the United Nations Commission.

2. I am sending a copy of this despatch to Sir A. Cadogan.

I am, &c.

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Please see 3/5' minute: "In this matter note should be taken of the moderate Jews' desire to get their views before Committee. See Colonial office about it".
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My telegram No. 1469: Palestine.

The Special Committee on Palestine met in public on the afternoon of 2nd June. All the principal delegates were present with the exception of Fabregat.

2. When nominations for the Chairmanship were invited, the Uruguayan substitute at once proposed Granados (Guatemala). This was seconded by the Yugoslav (who, I understand, had been present, unlike the Uruguayan, at a private meeting at which the election of Sandstrom (Sweden) was agreed). After some moments of confusion, Sandstrom was proposed by Canada and seconded by Persia. He was elected by 7 votes to 3, with one vote cast for Entezam (Persia). Ulloa (Peru) was unanimously elected Vice Chairman.

3. The Committee next adopted the text of a letter which will be sent to each of the 13 organisations whose request for a hearing at the Special Session of the Assembly had been rejected (my telegram No. 1359). The letter states that it will not be practicable for the Committee to grant a hearing to all of them; invites them to submit their views, with a statement of their claim to represent an element of the population of Palestine, by the 6th June; and promises that the Committee will then decide whether to grant oral hearings to any of these organisations. Hoo subsequently told a member of the delegation that any such hearings would take place in New York before the Committee's departure.

In this matter note I have been taken of the moderate Jews' desire to get their views before Committee. See Colonial office about it.

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*4. The Committee then adopted some of its rules of procedure. It has decided that "the Mandatory Power, the Arab Higher Committee, and the Jewish Agency for Palestine, may appoint Liaison Officers to the Committee who shall supply such information or render such other assistance as the Committee may require. The Liaison Officers may, suo motu, present at the discretion of the Committee such information as they may think advisable". It appeared from the discussion that the Committee do not intend the Liaison Officers to sit as of right at their meetings.

Foreign Office please pass to High Commissioner, Jerusalem (Important), and Moscow, as my telegrams Nos. 38 and 204 respectively.

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18 May of Madison Hall, by a group of
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BRITISH CONSULATE GENERAL
PHILADELPHIA
20th May 1947

Dear Bromley,

You no doubt know that the United Kingdom Delegation to the World Telecommunications Conference arrived in Atlantic City about a week ago, and may have heard that Haddon Hall, the hotel at which Sir Stanley Angwin and his colleagues are staying, was picketed on Sunday, the 18th May, by a group of members of the Atlantic City Masada, a Zionist organization, led by one Rochelle Weiss who is said to be a survivor of a Nazi concentration camp. The pickets carried signs calling for unrestricted Jewish immigration into Palestine and an end of British military rule.

The Zionists have been busy in Atlantic City and, according to the press, have been able to enlist the support of over a hundred American labour unions which on the 18th May, issued an appeal to H.M.G. "to honour its pledges for a Jewish homeland" in Palestine. A resolution approved by the National Trade Union Emergency Conference for Labour Palestine demanded that the U.S. Government support the "traditional American stand" in favour of a Jewish Palestine. Speaking at a Banquet held in connection with this Conference at Atlantic City on the 17th May, William Green, the President of the American Federation of Labour, said that "if Great Britain would only do what her conscience and honour require and permit a substantial increase in Palestine immigration, she could count on the backing of the nations of the world". He went on to say that the Jewish people of Europe were entitled, as a matter of right, decency and human justice, to the national homeland they seek, and that Britain could, even at this stage, relax present restrictions on immigration into Palestine and permit at least 100,000 Jews a year to enter the country as

F. E. Bromley, Esq.,
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settlers. This proposal, he said, had the official support of the U.S. Government, which had never failed to respond to appeals for aid to Britain in her time of need.

C.I.O. support for a Jewish homeland was pledged by James Carey, the Secretary-Treasurer of that organization. Carey declared that the U.S. Government which had made commitments it had failed to carry out, must share the blame for present conditions in Palestine. Labour, he continued, must use all its power to see that the U.S. Government makes good on the promises it has made to support a Jewish home in Palestine.

Abraham Dickenstein, of Tel Aviv, the Vice-President of the Workers' Bank of Palestine and Managing Director of the American Palestine Trading Corporation, charged that the Palestine Government had declared martial law not to put down terrorism, but to hamper and destroy Jewish economic life there.

American labour unions are reported to have launched a campaign to raise \$1,000,000 for the assistance of Histadrut, the General Federation of Jewish Labour in Palestine.

Judge Samuel A. Weiss, of Pittsburgh, the retiring President of B'nai B'rith District No. 3, said in his report to the District Grand Lodge Annual Convention, held in Atlantic City, that "only a united Jewry could persuade any affirmative action by the United Nations or the United States Government towards the solution of the Palestine problem." He told the 750 delegates present at the convention that B'nai B'rith was willing to assume the leadership in a United drive to cope with and solve this weighty world problem. He held that the centre of gravity of Jewish life had shifted from Europe to America and that "whether we will it or not, we have not only the responsibility to salvage much of Jewish life, but the opportunity to do so."

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Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt was the principal speaker at a Luncheon yesterday organized by the Allied Jewish Appeal. She said that she was distressed and amazed that another year had gone by and that there had been no real ~~marked~~ improvement in the plight of the Jews of Europe. She could scarcely bring herself to believe the accounts she read of people being taken off ships and put behind barbed wire in the year 1947. Americans should, she continued, always keep before them the thought that all men are brothers. The United States had been spared the horrors of war, and to help those who could not help themselves was part of the job which United States citizens were called on to do. Attainment of the \$170,000,000 goal of the Jewish Appeal in the United States would, she said, provide money "not only to keep a tangible body alive, but also to keep alive the spirit and the will to live on."

Yours ever,

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Escaped Jewish Terrorists.

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identified all three men by comparing
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Jewish terrorists escape from Eritrea.

Deputy Commissioner of Police Asmara has positively identified all three men by comparing photographs produced by these men at the French Consulate with the official photographs in our possession. He also personally identified the man known as Robert Feron who is the only one of three who appears in public.

2. Ethiopian police authorities seem to be doing their best to locate their hide-out and to apprehend all three together. In the meantime the French consul is fully co-operating by pretending that transit visas may be (repeat may be) forthcoming. I think that Ethiopians are trying, but as these terrorists have always kept well under cover, and investigations disclose that they have been and are being assisted by certain Jews holding important quasi official positions here, the task of the police is not made easier.

3. Major Cracknell will remain here until these men are caught.

4. I should add that when I originally enlisted the help of the Ethiopian Government through Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs the latter assured me that these men would be duly arrested for clandestine entry, but refused to commit himself regarding eventual handing over to us. He tried to take up the line that they were political refugees and said that his Government had been bombarded with protests from all over the world when they handed back to B.M.A. Eritrea two previous escapees in 1946. I told the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs that I had little doubt of what your reactions would be if the Ethiopian Government saw fit to give asylum to leading members of a gang which specialised in the murder of British officers and other ranks.

5. If and when these men are caught it would help considerably to know whether or to what extent French Government have accepted doctrine of "refoulement" in respect of two terrorists in Jibuti (see your telegram No. 14 to Jibuti).

Foreign Office please pass to Asmara and Paris as my telegrams Nos. 102 and 8 respectively.

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